

Leadership Study Tours
April 22-25 and May 20-23, 2007
New York City

The Leadership Study Tour is designed for district-level leaders interested in redesigning large high schools and creating and sustaining good small schools.

Building on the success of more than a dozen SRN Small Schools Study Tours and several highly successful Leadership tours over the past year, the LST is to be held in New York City, April 22-25, 2007 and May 20-23, 2007 will:

- Explore the design features of highly effective small schools;
- Visit the Julia Richman Education Complex, a formerly failing comprehensive high school that today thrives as a complex of autonomous small schools;
- Consider the district role and the role of intermediary organizations in creating and sustaining such schools.

On the Leadership Study Tour, we will meet with key district, union, and intermediary organization leaders involved with New York City's small schools' work. We will explore their successes and challenges and consider how each can inform work in your district. In addition, teachers and school leaders will share with us their perspectives on the district's role in supporting their small schools.

Who should participate?

The Leadership Study Tour has been designed specifically for district level leaders including superintendents, central office reform coordinators, assistant superintendents, board members, teacher union leaders, principals, and intermediaries who are in the process of redesigning large schools or creating/ sustaining start-up small schools. Each school team should include two to four participants. In our experience facilitating professional development opportunities, we found that teams that have included union leaders, central office administrators, and board members were most successful in developing common understandings of small schools and their potential for modified duplication. As a result, preference will be given to teams with this composition.

Application process:

To learn more and download the application please visit
<http://schoolredesign.net/srn/tours.php>

Applications are due by Friday, March 9, 2007.

Please fax or e-mail your application to Milica Gurney
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